

The Arts Revitalization of Toledo  
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#### FINAL ART, OYSTERS AND BREWS EVENT SEPTEMBER 4TH

Aug. 27, 2021 - Toledo, OR –ART Toledo is pleased to announce that a fourth event has been added for the summer Art, Oysters, and Brews.

Please join us from noon – 5 p.m. on September 4th on Main Street in downtown Toledo.

COVID-19 Precautions: Masks are required to attend the event. We will be closing down Main Street to allow for more space in between vendors and attendees. We ask all attendees to maintain 6ft of distance. Thank you for your cooperation.

This event is held in partnership with the Yaquina River Museum of Art's First Weekend art celebrations, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and the Timbers Restaurant and Lounge.

This event will feature local band Lucky Gap and Wild Hog in the Woods. Deluxe Brewery, 3 Rivers Winery and Acrobat Winery will be serving tastings. The Timbers Restaurant and Lounge will be serving oysters! There is also a kid's activity booth supported by the Toledo City Library.

In addition, visitors can tour the other galleries that will be open at part of the First Weekend art celebration, such as Michael Gibbons Gallery, Ivan Kelly Art Studio, Crow's Nest Gallery, and the second round of Toledo's Phantom Art Galleries.

Toledo's Main Street Phantom Galleries are small, temporary art galleries created in vacant storefronts to allow visitors to enjoy the works of local and regional artists in a COVID-safe environment. The galleries not only enliven Toledo's Main Street but showcase available street-level storefronts that are ripe for new business development.

"The Phantom Galleries have truly transformed a number of vacant buildings on Main Street," said Paul Schuytema, Executive Director of the Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County. "Now comes the fun part of celebrating this wonderful downtown and these great artists – and also inspiring new businesses to join the Toledo business community. Come check it out and make an afternoon of it!"

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Each gallery has information about the artist, their displayed work, and how it can be purchased as well as the commercial space and its amenities. QR codes will allow visitors to scan and then visit the artist's page on ARTToledo.com or learn more about the potential of the commercial spaces.

Visitors can also enjoy the Yaquina Pacific Railroad Historical Society and the Toledo History Center. Or, as part of the Oregon Film Trail, check out the local sign that celebrates locations in and around Toledo that were used for the filming of "Sometimes a Great Notion," the 1971 movie adapted from Oregon author Ken Kesey's novel.

The Art, Oysters and Brews event series is part of the City's new Art Revitalization of Toledo initiative (ART) which includes the phantom galleries, the event series, grants for downtown beautification and outdoor dining, as well as a soon to be launched mural program. ART is supported by local businesses, non-profits, the County, and other stakeholders who are dedicated to revitalizing downtown to serve the needs of current residents and to reinvigorate Toledo's historic Main Street.

"This is Toledo, and this is what we're all about," said Rod Cross, Mayor of Toledo. "Art, industry and it all coming together to form a beautiful place to live, grow and raise your family – enjoy Main Street!"

ART is overseen by a dedicated ART Committee of engaged citizens, local businesses, and non-profits. Members include: the Timbers Restaurant and Lounge, Crow's Nest Gallery, Port of Toledo, the Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County, Yaquina Pacific Railroad Historical Society, Michael Gibbons Gallery, Yaquina River Museum of Art, Oregon Coast Visitors Association, local artists, Toledo High School, Toledo Chamber of Commerce, local artists, members of the community, and more.

If you would like to learn how to get involved in Toledo ART, please contact Rachael Maddock-Hughes at [rachael@sequoiaconsulting.org](mailto:rachael@sequoiaconsulting.org).

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